

13 June 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Walters

SUBJECT: Comment on [] Memo to You on the
Ad Hoc Intelligence Group on Exchanges

1. I asked Proctor and Nelson for their views on [] memo concerning item 2 on the USIB agenda for 13 June. Nelson notes that [] language in para 3 is misleading. []

2. The language of DCID 2/6 is imprecise with respect to CIA's net assessment responsibilities regarding East-West exchanges. Messrs. Colby and Nelson believe that it was never intended to get CIA and the Intelligence Community into a net assessment of the exchange program as a whole. This is a policy question. They believe that it is acceptable, however, for CIA to assess the net advantage of individual exchange visits. The language of DCID 2/6 requires some refinement.

3. As pointed out in para 2 of [] memo, it is unnecessary to establish a new USIB committee on exchanges. An Interagency Intelligence Advisory Group on Exchanges has been in existence since 1955. [] says that the Committee has not been very active but that the East-West exchange staff has continued to function at the working level. The simplest procedure would be to invigorate the work of this interagency advisory group.

4. Bill Nelson recommends that you advocate standing essentially with the existing procedure, and suggest that existing interagency machinery provided for under DCID 2/6 be reinvigorated. Some tightening up of the DCID's language is also desirable.

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